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Letter of Protest
in Docket 2012 - 177 - WS

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Date: * September 2, 2012

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1. What is your connection or interest in this case? * For example, are you a customer of the Company that is the subject of this pending proceeding? (This section must be completed. Attach additional information if necessary.)

I am a Tega Cay resident

2. Please give a concise statement of your protest. * (This section must be completed. Attach additional information if necessary.)

My water and sewer rates are already the highest I have experienced in the 3 states in which I have lived over the past 40 years as a homeowner. Since these protest forms will not be placed on the record all you are allowing the residents of Tega Cay to do is file paperwork that will ultimately be placed in a box that will be put down in a basement in a dark corner.

Since they were previously granted an increase to improve infrastructure in 2010 in the amount of 18%, this should have provided adequate funding to recoup their cost for repairs, etc. They have had other rate increases in the past and that would have provided necessary revenues to repair and maintain the system. The company has neglected the system, the current proposed rate increases are exorbitant and Tega Cay's demographics reflect a high percentage of retirees to which this will become a great burden.

3. Do you wish to make an appearance at a hearing in this proceeding, if scheduled, and offer sworn testimony? *

I previously indicated that I would not be giving testimony,

but have reconsidered and wish to be heard at the 1/8/13 hearing. Please indicate what I need to do prior to the hearing in order to allow me to testify. Thanks you.